



# Reading Fire Information Update

Lassen Volcanic National Park and  
Lassen National Forest

August 23, 2012 9:00 am

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InciWeb: <http://www.inciweb.org/incident/3112>



**Current Situation:** The Reading Fire is 100% contained.

The Reading Fire will transition to a Type 3 Incident Management Team today at 6:00 p.m. A local Type 3 IMT will manage this phase. This organization will be comprised of individuals and crews currently assigned to the Reading Fire.

Crews will continue to take a series of post-fire actions to repair damages and minimize environmental impacts resulting from fire suppression activities, and continue to patrol the firelines and mop up any remaining hot spots. There are 3 phases of rehabilitation; fire suppression repair, BAER (Burn Area Emergency Response) and long term recovery.

A Burned Area Emergency Response Team (BAER) will also be working on the fire. The BAER program is a rapid assessment of burned areas to identify post-fire threats and implement emergency treatments to reduce environmental risks before the first major storm or damaging event. Fires result in a loss of vegetation, exposure of the soil to erosion, which may result in increased water runoff that may lead to flooding and debris flow. Not all areas within the fire perimeter have been burned, or will need BAER treatments. BAER treatments include the installation of erosion control and temporary barriers to protect recovering areas. BAER work may also prevent permanent loss of habitat for threatened and endangered species, and the spread of noxious weeds.

This will be the last fire update from California Interagency Incident Management Team 3.

## Closures – Lassen Volcanic National Park

Campgrounds:

- Butte Lake
- Crags
- Lost Creek
- Summit Lake South
- Summit Lake North
- Manzanita Lake

Roads:

Visitors wanting to access Lassen Volcanic National Park from the north can drive the Lassen Volcanic National Park Highway from the north entrance to Manzanita Lake. For visitors wanting to access the park from the south entrance, the Lassen Volcanic National Park Highway is open to Summit Lake only. For additional information, please visit:

- Lassen National Forest website: [www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/lassen/alerts-notice](http://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/lassen/alerts-notice)
- InciWeb: [www.inciweb.org/incident/3112/](http://www.inciweb.org/incident/3112/)
- Lassen Volcanic National Park: [www.nps.gov/lavo/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/lavo/index.htm) or on Twitter@LassenNPS

**Location:** Portions of Lassen Volcanic National Park and Lassen National Forest

**Start Date:** July 23, 2012      **Cause:** Lightning

**Acres:** 28,079    **NPS acres** = 16,993    **USFS acres** = 11,071    **Privately Owned Land** 75

**Percent Containment:** 100%

**Estimated Containment:** August 22, 2012

**Resources:** Hand Crews: 10    **Engines:** 28      **Helicopters:** 1

**Injuries:** 1; **Structures Damaged:** 0; **Estimated Cost-to-Date:** \$15,875,495

**Total personnel assigned to the incident:** 515